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State Board of Education (SBE) Innovation and Finance Committee Meeting

Date

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

Time

11:00 a.m.

Location

**Room 1000, Rutledge Building
1429 Senate Street
Columbia, SC 29201**

Tom Ewart, Chair

***Mellanie B. Jinnette, Chief Financial Officer
Staff Liaison to the Committee***

I. Welcome and Determination of a Quorum

Chair Ewart, Twelfth Judicial Circuit, opened the Innovation and Finance (IF) Committee meeting at 11:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

Committee members attending were Richard Kizer, Ninth Judicial Circuit; Jane Harmon, Seventh Judicial Circuit; and Jim Griffith, Second Judicial Circuit.

South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) staff attending the meeting were Mellanie Jinnette, CFO, Office of Finance; Kriss Stewart, Program Coordinator, Instructional Materials Section, Office of Finance; Shawn Eubanks, Deputy General Counsel, Division for Legal Affairs; Kim Moss, Minutes Taker, and Barbara Clarke, Back-up Minutes Taker.

II. Recognition of Visitors and News Media

There were no visitors or news media in attendance.

III. Approval of Committee Minutes for March 11, 2015

Mr. Kizer made a motion to approve the minutes for March 11, 2015. Mr. Griffith seconded the motion. The motion carried.

IV. Approval of Committee Agenda for April 8, 2015

Mr. Griffith made a motion to approve the agenda for the April 8, 2015, IF Committee meeting. Mr. Kizer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

V. Public Comment Period

There were no public comments.

VI. Board Items

FOR APPROVAL

- 01. Review Panel Recommendation for the District-Requested Instructional Materials**—Kriss Stewart, Program Coordinator, Instructional Materials Section, Office of Finance

As part of the instructional materials adoption process, a district may request instructional materials for possible adoption. Cherokee County School District has requested a middle school social studies program by Pearson Education be added to the state list. The Board-approved review panel has evaluated the materials and recommends that the materials be added to the state-adopted list. This process allows districts to place instructional materials in the classroom that best suit the needs of the students. These materials will be available to all school districts once approved for the state-adopted list.

The SCDE recommends approval of the Review Panel recommendation for the district-requested materials.

Mr. Griffith made the motion that the SBE approve the recommendation of the Review Panel for district-requested materials as presented. Mr. Kizer seconded the motion. The motion carried.

FOR INFORMATION

- 02. Financial Update for Fiscal Year 2014–15**—Mellanie Jinnette, CFO, Office of Finance

The State Board of Education has a budget balance of \$23,054.49. State Board funds will be used to pay for some of the expenses related to the May State Board Retreat. Through a proviso in the House budget, the SBE has been granted carryover dollars to be used for special projects in the new fiscal year. If the proviso continues through the legislative process, the carryover will be approximately \$15,000 after expenses for the retreat are paid.

VII. Consent Agenda

By consensus of the committee, Item IF-01 was placed on the consent agenda.

VIII. Other Business

There was no other business.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.